

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) Device having a conveyance device for conveying containers, to which at least one exchangeable labeling unit for containers may be connected, wherein at least identification data[[(1)]] of the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~ can be transmitted to the conveyance device[[(2)]] , the identification data distinguishing the labeling unit from at least one other labeling unit.

2. (Currently amended) Device having an exchangeable labeling unit for labeling containers, the labeling unit being connectable to a conveyance device for conveying the containers, wherein at least identification data[[(1)]] of the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~ can be transmitted to the conveyance device[[(2)]] , the identification data distinguishing the labeling unit from at least one other labeling unit.

3. (Currently amended) Device having a conveyance device for conveying containers, and an exchangeable labeling unit connectable thereto for labeling the containers, wherein at least identification data[[(1)]] of the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~ can be transmitted to the conveyance device[[(2)]] , the identification data distinguishing the labeling unit from at least one other labeling unit.

4. (Currently amended) Device according to Claims 2 or 3, wherein at least one address information [[(A)]] can be transmitted from the conveyance device [[(2)]] to the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~.

5. (Currently amended) Device according to Claims 1, 2 or 3, wherein the conveyance device [[(2)]] has a memory for several items of address information which can be transmitted.

6. (Currently amended) Device according[[[,]] to Claims 1, 2 or 3, wherein at least two different transmission devices ~~(14, 15)~~ are provided, and wherein one

transmission device ~~[[14]]~~ is provided for transmitting address information ~~[(a)]~~ and the other transmission device is provided at least for transmitting the identification data ~~[(I)]~~.

7. (Currently amended) Device according to~~[[,]]~~ Claims 1, 2 or 3, wherein the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~ has a memory for adjustable address information ~~[(A)]~~.

8. (Currently amended) Device according to~~[[,]]~~ Claims 1, 2 or 3, wherein the conveyance device ~~[(2)]~~ is connected to an internal computer network.

9. (Currently amended) Device according to~~[[,]]~~ Claims 1, 2 or 3, wherein the conveyance device ~~[(2)]~~ has an Internet connection.

10. (Currently amended) Device according to Claims 1, 2 or 3, wherein any one of any type of data ~~[(I')]~~, instructions, synchronization data, information about a machine state, information about a label supply, a glue supply, commands, software, program modules, and any combination thereof can be transmitted in either direction between the conveyance device ~~[(2)]~~ and the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~.

11. (Currently amended) Method for connecting an exchangeable labeling unit for labeling containers to a conveyance device for conveying the containers, comprising transmitting at least identification data ~~[(I)]~~ from the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~ to the conveyance device ~~[(2)]~~, the identification data distinguishing the labeling unit from at least one other labeling unit.

12. (Currently amended) Method according to Claim 11, wherein before transmitting the identification data ~~[(I)]~~, transmitting address information ~~[(A)]~~ from the conveyance device ~~[(2)]~~ to the labeling unit ~~(3, 4, 5)~~.

13. (Currently amended) Method according to Claim 12, and the step of transmitting the identification data $[(I)]$ and the address information $[(A)]$ over various connections ~~(14, 15)~~.

14. (Currently amended) Method according to Claims 12 or 13, wherein after transmitting the identification data $[(I)]$, transmitting any one of any type of data $[(I')]$, instructions, synchronization data, information about a machine state, information about a label supply, a glue supply, commands, software, program modules, and any combination thereof in either direction between the conveyance device and the labeling unit.

15. (Currently amended) Device according to claim 6, wherein the one transmission device is provided exclusively for the address information $[(A)]$.